



Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S.

'Let us fight the virus, not each other.'

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Ms. Barbara Gille
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Community Foundation of N.J.
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Re: Application for Funds for Second Round (Community AIDS Partnership)

Dear Ms. Gille:

As you are aware, the purpose of the grant received by the Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S. (N.C.P. for PWAs) is to support the process of convening a network of task forces, identifying gaps in services and the resources to fill the gaps, and suggesting policy guidelines and mechanisms for coordination and cooperation among the agencies providing AIDS services in the City of Newark. We anticipate that this project will result in a document that will indicate an action agenda for coordination and cooperation among service providers and community based organizations.

To further the purposes of the grant, NCP has to date accomplished the following:

- * Developed a partnership with the City of Newark's Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey's Minority Health Institute to plan, facilitate, and implement the different phases of the project.
- * Hosted a breakfast of 60 individuals representing 25 different community-based organizations as well as established providers of services and care for the purpose of explaining the project, inviting participation, and recognizing World AIDS Day (see exhibit A).
- * Engaged a consultant to assist in facilitating the work of the project (see exhibit B).

* Established a Task Force Coordinating Committee to suggest and develop concerns, issues, and questions that the task forces should consider (see exhibit C).

* Convened two meetings of the Task Force Coordinating Committee (see exhibit D).

* Developed a charge to the task forces (see exhibit E).

* Selected 40 volunteers to serve on seven established task forces and invited 61 others to participate in the process (see exhibit F).

As of January 31, 1990, NCP has expended (on a cash basis) \$6,778.68 of the \$10,000.00 awarded for this project (see exhibit G). Unfortunately, NCP's only grant for this project is the one received from the N.J. Community AIDS Partnership Fund.

Because of overwhelming response and participation (beyond our wildest dreams) from Newark's care and service providers and community based organizations, the dimensions of the project have expanded to the extent that the original proposal's timelines, scope of work, range of activities, and budget are no longer feasible. During deliberations of the Task Force Coordinating Committee, NCP was made to realize that the expressed need for networking, coordination, and cooperation was greater than anticipated. As a result, it became clear that in order to produce a document of substantive value, our process had to: expand; move at a more deliberative pace; and provide more avenues for community input, e.g., surveys, public forums, and public comment.

Based on the above, the Newark Community Project For People With A.I.D.S. hereby requests \$10,000.00 from the second round of grants awarded out of the New Jersey Community AIDS Partnership Fund. If additional funds are not provided, the process will be prematurely terminated.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Derek T. Winans
Chairperson

c.c.: Dr. Adewale Troutman
Newark Medical Director

Mr. Douglas Morgan
Executive Director, UNC-NJ Minority Health Institute